

**Group classes include but are not limited to:**

- ★ Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ★ ADHD and Coexisting Disorders
- ★ Cognitive Disabilities
- ★ Down Syndrome
- ★ Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders
- ★ Challenging Behaviors
- ★ Cerebral Palsy
- ★ Reactive Attachment Disorder
- ★ Asthma Care
- ★ Diabetes/Other Health Care Issues
- ★ Sensory Integration Disorder
- ★ Speech Language Development
- ★ Social and Emotional Development

**For a registration form or more information:**

**Call:**

414-289-6977

**Email:**

ann.farah@wisconsin.gov

**Visit:**

<http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/childcare/meca/training.htm>

## **MECA Special Needs Support Program (SNSP)**

**Telephone: 414-289-6977**

**Fax: 414-289-6179**

### **Additional Resources:**

#### **Disability Resource Center of Milwaukee County**

414-289-6660

#### **Disabilities Services Children's Unit**

414-289-6799

#### **4C for Children - Child Care Resource & Referral**

414-562-2676

#### **WI FACETS**

414-374-4645

### **Department of Children and Families Milwaukee Early Care Administration**

Special Needs Support Program  
1220 W. Vliet Street, Suite 200E  
Milwaukee WI 53205

Visit MECA's website for more information on this program and our other services:

<http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/childcare/meca/>



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF  
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

## **SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT PROGRAM**

FROM THE MILWAUKEE EARLY  
CARE ADMINISTRATION



**A team approach for serving children  
with differing abilities**

**414-289-6977**

### **The Special Needs Support Program**

helps families and caregivers with onsite technical assistance and monthly educational classes. Caregivers learn how to care for children with disabilities and health care needs.

### **Who is Eligible?**

Families that are participating in Wisconsin Shares or receiving child care subsidy assistance through W-2 are eligible for services.

### **Family Services:**

- Assistance updating child care authorizations.
- Verification of child's disability for benefits and services.
- Free onsite training for the child care provider on child's needs.
- Networking and support through monthly educational classes and connections to community resources.
- Assistance for parents of teens 13 years of age and older that continue to need care.
- Resources to help families find a child care provider that best fits their needs.



### **What is Milwaukee Early Care Administration (MECA)?**

MECA trains, certifies and oversees family child care providers. We also work with parents to sign up for Wisconsin Shares child care subsidy.

### **What does the Special Needs Support Program do?**

- Enhance the quality and availability of child care programs for children with special needs.
- Support child care providers serving children with special needs.
- Increase caregiver awareness of new practices that benefit children with special needs.

<http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/childcare/meca>

### **Provider Services:**

- Training onsite by professionals who share information and strategies to care for children with special needs
- Educational classes on a variety of health care topics and disabilities.
- Credit for continuing education with The Registry (tier levels listed for each class on The Registry website).



DCF is an equal opportunity employer and service provider. If you have a disability and need to access this information in an alternate format, or need it translated to another language, please call (414) 289-6973 or (888) 692-1382 TTY (Toll Free). For civil rights questions call (608) 422-6889 or (866) 864-4585 TTY (Toll Free).

